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Dear Sir:

In accordance with applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, we are enclosing form PTO-1449 listing information that may be material to the patentability of this application.

Cited in the attached PTO-1449 are Japanese Patent Nos.: JP59164791, JP59162924, JP6271577 and JP8301873. Also cited are the following articles:

Collman, "SYNTHETIC MODELS FOR THE OXYGEN-BINDING HEMOPROTEINS",
Acc. Chem. Res., Vol 10, 1977, pps. 265-272.

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It is applicants' belief that none of the above citations describe that which is claimed in the present invention.

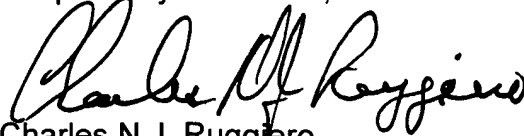
It should be understood that attention has been called to the citations that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed citations and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the application, no petition or fee is required.

Applicants' respectfully request favorable consideration and that this application be passed to allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
						YES	NO
	JP59164791	9/17/84	Japan (abstract)			X	
	JP59162924	9/13/84	Japan (abstract)			X	
	JP6271577	9/27/94	Japan (abstract)			X	
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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